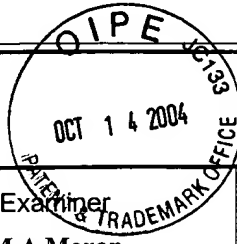


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
25048-015

In Re Application Of: Ilse Chudoba et al.



Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
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Invention: **METHOD OF IDENTIFYING CHANGES IN BIOPOLYMERS**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 04/21/2004 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☐ Two months    ☒ Three months    ☐ Four months'    ☐ Five months

from: 07/21/04    until: 10/21/04  
*Date*    *Date*

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

The fee for the extension of time is \$475 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-0719
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-0719

*Signature*

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 12 October '04 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Jacqueline Beavers

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10/12/04